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Internet Lingo Dictionary

A Parent's Guide to Codes Used in Chat Rooms, Instant Messaging, Text Messaging, and Blogs



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Top 20 Internet Acronyms

1. A/S/L .... Age/sex/location
2. B4N..Bye for now
3. BRB ....Be right back
4. Ciao..Goodbye
5. CUL ....See you later
6. EG.. Evil grin
7. G2G .... Got to go
8. J/K..Just kidding
9. Kewl ....Cool
10. LOL ....Laugh out loud
11. Muah.. (Sound of a kiss)
12. NM..Nothing Much or Never mind
13. P911 .... Parent alert
14. PBM..Parent behind me
15. PIR..Parent in room
16. POS.. Parent over shoulder
17. ROTFL ....Rolling on the floor laughing
18. SWAK ....Sealed with a kiss
19. Wat up .... What’s up?
20. WUF .... Where are you from?



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The Internet has become part of our daily lives, as well as our children's lives. Kids today are becoming more savvy about the Internet, while some parents are becoming less so. The knowledge gap between children and their parents is widening. What you don't know can hurt your kids.

With all of the time that children and young adults spend e-mailing, instant messaging, texting, blogging, and chatting, a new language, or "lingo," has developed. This "lingo" consists of acronyms and abbreviated text used as shortcuts in messages and can be very hard to decipher at times. This dictionary is designed to help you interpret and translate the messages your children are sending and receiving.

In addition to this dictionary, my office has developed several additional tools to help keep teens safe while they are online. ProtecTeens™ is a video presentation that teaches parents and teens about dangers from sexual predators on the Internet. The ProtecTeens resource kit contains a Family Contract for Internet Safety, an Internet Safety Manual, and a Parental Control Information guide that provides information on computer and software settings to better protect families online. You can view the ProtecTeens video and these materials, or request copies by mail, by visiting www.ag.idaho.gov. I hope you find these tools helpful.

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A NEW LANGUAGE HAS EMERGED

New technology has introduced us to many new forms of communication. Mobile devices such as cellular phones and wireless handheld computers, along with the Internet, have triggered the creation of a new cyber language. This language, or “lingo,” is a combination of acronyms and abbreviations.

On the Internet, this lingo is used everyday in chat rooms, instant messages, blogs, e-mails, and comments posted to social network spaces, such as MySpace.com. On a cell phone, this lingo is used for text messaging.

The lingo is shorter and easier to type than the complete words or sentences. However, it is not so easy to decipher. To most, it looks like a foreign language.

Acronyms are popular in our day to day world. For example, OK, TGIF, and RSVP are all acronyms that most people have seen. On the Internet, however, there are literally hundreds of acronyms and abbreviations that children and adults are using. Emoticons, which are keyboard symbols that emulate facial expressions, are also popular.

These acronyms, abbreviations, and emoticons form a cryptic code that is often difficult to decipher, making it a challenge to read e-mails or instant messages that children are sending. Without understanding this Internet lingo, parents cannot understand the types of interactions their children experience on the Internet.

If your child received the following message, would you be able to decipher it?

> “19/m/ca watz ur n/a/s/l? snd m ur p# we can pRt! g2g4n”

To most people, this looks like nonsense, but it’s not. The message is from a 19 year-old male located in California (19/m/ca), asking for the recipient’s name, age, sex, and location (watz ur n/a/s/l). His message is: “Send me your phone number (snd m ur p#). We can party! (we can pRt!) Got to go for now (g2g4n).”

To help you understand how acronyms and abbreviated text are used, we have included the following snapshots of real Internet website profiles and chat rooms.

Below is a screen shot from the comment area on a popular social networking website:



9/10/2006 12:57 PM

h3y Q~t =) watz up??

<<33
♥

9/5/2006 11;58 PM

h3y~h3y~ still wanna hang out sunday? (ill call u) hehe this time ansir the fone! if u dnt fine, DC! lmao! ne ways ttfn-cul <<33

9/4/2006 5:55 PM

hey hey~ u shood get a pix of ur self!

9/4/2006 5:52 PM

h3y babe, wazz up? that was totally awsome at ur house the other night lmao! god i had soOo much fun! hehehe we n33d 2 do that again some time soon huh!! lol (sigh) ne wayhz ill ttyl kk cyea<<33

8/22/2006 9:24 PM

im grounded, not supose to be on comp...oh well! i wont be able to meet you latr 2nite,mayb tmorow. p911 g2g!

The following is an example of a chat room conversation taken directly from a live chat room:

popabillion joined the room.
wonderboy6890 joined the room.
trouble: WAT GOOD ROOM???
trouble: ANY FEMALES WANNA CHAT WITH 19/M/IL GET @ ME
trouble: PRESS 773
wonderboy6890 left the room.
texas_longhorns_gurl2009: 773
bookie_queen: JUST A LIL BIT
titan85_420: gyea
joeblazn left the room.
young_hustla1 joined the room.
louisvilleswhiteboy joined the room.
riican2003: 15-f-nj
louisvilleswhiteboy: whos freestylin in hurr
young_hustla1 left the room.
givemesome16 left the room.
louisvilleswhiteboy left the room.
hunal86 joined the room.
flexyskint: any female wanna chart wit flexy
flexyskint: here im still single
emretoksen07 joined the room.
bookie_queen: JUST LIL BIT
~*4EvaNAlwayzGrownNSexii*~: *how old r u dj??*
micky: hey any ladies want to chat with a 14 m ny press1356 and i have a cam
Alyssa: you think my milkshake brings the boys?
shawty_simplistic: 18
~*4EvaNAlwayzGrownNSexii*~: *o damn*
shawty_simplistic: yea
shawty_simplistic: u
atlz_finest_94: hey everbody
shawty_simplistic: well i just turned 18 in feb
babyangel55517: hey people
~*4EvaNAlwayzGrownNSexii*~: *20 in aug.*

KEY TO COMMON INTERNET ACRONYMS

86..........Over
404..........I don't know
411..........Information
?4U..........Question for you
@TEOTD..........At the end of the day
14AA41..........One for all and all for one
2NITE..........Tonight
4ever..........Forever
A/S/L..........Age/sex/location
A3..........Anytime, anywhere, anyplace
AAF..........As a friend
AAK..........Asleep at keyboard
AAP..........Always a pleasure
AAR..........At any rate
AAS..........Alive and smiling
AATK..........Always at the keyboard
AAYF..........As always, your friend
ABT2..........About to
ADBB..........All done bye-bye
ADD..........Address
ADIH..........Another day in (profanity)
ADIP..........Another day in paradise
ADN..........Any day now
ADR..........Address
AEAP..........As early as possible
AFAIK..........As far as I know
AFC..........Away from computer
AFDN..........Any (profanity) day now
AFK..........Away from keyboard
AISB..........As it should be
AKA..........Also known as
ALOL..........Actually laughing out loud
AML..........All my love
AOTA..........All of the above
ASAFP..........As soon as (profanity) possible
ASAP..........As soon as possible
A/S/L..........Age/sex/location
ATM..........At the moment

AYEC..At your earliest convenience
AYK.. As you know
AYOR .... At your own risk
AYSOS .... Are you stupid or something?
B .... Be
B/C .... Because
B/F... Boyfriend
B4 ....Before
B4N ....Bye for now
B4U ....Before you
B4YKI...Before you know it
BAG ....Bursting a gut
BAK .... Back at my keyboard
BAU .... Business as usual
BB4N .... Bye-bye for now
BBBG.. Bye-bye be good
BBFN .... Bye-bye for now
BBIAB .... Be back in a bit
BBIAF... Be back in a few
BBIAM .... Be back in a minute
BBIAS... Be back in a sec
BBIAW .... Be back in a while
BBL...Be back later
BBN .... Bye-bye now
BBS .... Be back soon
BBSD .... Be back soon darling
BBSL.. Be back sooner or later
BBT...Be back tomorrow
BC .... Because
BCNU ....Be seeing you
BCOZ.. Because
BD .... Big deal
BF...Best friend
BFD .... Big (profanity) deal
BFF .... Best friends forever
BFG... Big (profanity) grin
BFN..Bye for now
BG ....Big grin
BGWM.. Be gentle with me
BIF ....Before I forget

Bii Bii........Bye-bye
BLNT........Better luck next time
BM........Bite me
BM&Y........Between me and you
BMOTA........Bite me on the (profanity)
BOL........Best of luck
BR........Bathroom
BRB........Be right back
BRT........Be right there
BS........Big smile
BT........Bite this
BTA........But then again
BTDT........Been there, done that
BTDTGTS........Been there, done that, got the t-shirt
BTW........By the way
BWO........Black, white or other
CB........Chat brat
Ciao........Goodbye
CMIIW........Correct me if I’m wrong
CMON........Come on
COB........Close of business
COS........Because
C-P........Sleepy
CR8........Create
CRB........Come right back
CRBT........Crying really big tears
CSL........Can’t stop laughing
C-T........City
CU........See you
CUA........See you around
CUL........See you later
CUL8ER........See you later
CUL8R........See you later
CUNS........See you in school
Cuz........Because
CWYL........Chat with you later
CY........Calm yourself
CYA........See ya
CYA........Cover your (profanity)
CYL........See you later

CYO .... See you online
CYT .... See you tomorrow
D/L .... Download
DEGT .... Don't even go there
DGT .... Don't go there
DIKU .... Do I know you?
DKDC .... Don't know, don't care
DL .... Download
DQMOT .... Don't quote me on this
DTS .... Don't think so
DUST .... Did you see that?
DV8 .... Deviate
EAK .... Eating at keyboard
EBKAC .... Error between keyboard and chair
EG .... Evil grin
EL .... Evil laugh
EM .... Excuse me?
EMA .... E-mail address
EMFBI .... Excuse me for butting in
EOD .... End of day
EOM .... End of message
EWI .... E-mailing while intoxicated
EZ .... Easy
EZY .... Easy
F2F .... Face to face
F2T .... Free to talk
FAB .... Features/attributes/benefits
FAQL .... Frequently asked questions list
FBM .... Fine by me
FC .... Fingers crossed
Ferr .... For
FF .... Friends forever
FICCL .... Frankly I couldn't care less
FISH .... First in, still here
FITB .... Fill in the blanks
FO .... (Profanity) off
FOAF .... Friend of a friend
FOC .... Free of charge
FOFL .... Falling on floor laughing
FOMCL .... Falling off my chair laughing

FRT ....For real though
FTTB...For the time being
FUBAR ....(Profanity) up beyond all recognition
FUBB ....(Profanity) up beyond belief
FUM...(Profanity) up mess
FWIW ....For what it’s worth
FYA.. For your amusement
FYEO .... For your eyes only
FYI ....For your information
G.. Grin
G...Guess
G/F .... Girlfriend
G2CU .... Good to see you
G2G .... Got to go
G2G4N...Got to go for now
G2R ....Got to run
GA .... Go ahead
GAL ....Get a life
GB ....Goodbye
GBH ....Great big hug
GBU ....God bless you
GDR ....Grinning, ducking, and running
GFI ....Go for it
GG ....Gotta Go or Good Game
GGFN...Gotta go for now
GGN...Gotta go now
GIAR...Give it a rest
GIGO...Garbage in, garbage out
GL ....Good luck
GL/HF ....Good luck, have fun
GLNG .... Good luck next game
GMTA...Great minds think alike
GOI .... Get over it
GOL ....Giggling out loud
GR8 ....Great
GRRRR.. Growling
GT .... Good try
GTG .... Got to go
GTGB...Got to go, bye
GTGP ....Got to go (urinate)

GTH .... Go to (profanity)
GTRM .... Going to read mail
GTSY .... Glad to see you
GYPO .... Get your pants off
H&K .... Hugs & kisses
H2CUS .... Hope to see you soon
H8 .... Hate
HAGN .... Have a good night
HAGO .... Have a good one
HAK .... Hugs and kisses
HAND .... Have a nice day
HB .... Hurry back
HD .... Hold
HF .... Have fun
HF .... Hello, friend
HHIS .... Hanging head in shame
HHO1/2K .... Ha-ha, only half kidding
HHOJ .... Ha-ha, only joking
HHOK .... Ha-ha, only kidding
HOAS .... Hold on a second
HRU .... How are you?
HTH .... Hope this helps
HUGZ .... Hugs
HUYA .... Head up your (profanity)
HV .... Have
I 1-D-R .... I wonder
IAC .... In any case
IANAL .... I am not a lawyer
IAT .... I am tired
IB .... I'm back
IBRB .... I will be right back
IC .... I see
ICBW .... It could be worse
ID10T .... Idiot
IDK .... I don't know
IDKY .... I don't know you
IDST .... I didn't say that
IDTS .... I don't think so
IDUNNO .... I don't know
IFU .... I (profanity) up

IG2R .... I got to run
IGGP .... I gotta go (urinate)
IIRC.. If I remember correctly
IK .... I know
ILBL8.. I'll be late
ILU.. I love you
ILY.. I love you
IM.. Instant messaging
IMHO.. In my humble opinion
IMNSHO.. In my not so humble opinion
IMO.. In my opinion
IMS .... I am sorry
INAL.. I'm not a lawyer
IOH .... I'm outta here
IOW.. In other words
IRL .... In real life
IRMC .... I rest my case
IUSS.. If you say so
IWSN .... I want sex now
IYKWIM.. If you know what I mean
IYO .... In your opinion
IYSS.. If you say so
J/C .... Just chilling (hanging out)
J/J .... Just joking
J/K.. Just kidding
J/P.. Just playing
J/T .... Just teasing
J/W.. Just wondering
j00r.. Your
JAFU.. Just another (profanity) up
JAS.. Just a second
JAM.. Just a minute
JIC.. Just in case
JJA .... Just joking around
JK.. Just kidding
JMO.. Just my opinion
JP.. Just playing
K.. Okay
K/B.. Keyboard
KBD .... Keyboard

KEWL .... Cool
KFY .... Kiss for you
KIR .... Keep it real
KISS .... Keep it simple stupid
KIT .... Keep in touch
KMA .... Kiss my (profanity)
KNIM .... Know what I mean?
KOTC .... Kiss on the cheek
KOTL .... Kiss on the lips
KPC .... Keeping parents clueless
KYPO .... Keep your pants on
L8R .... Later
LD .... Later, dude or long distance
LERK .... Leaving easy reach of keyboard
LIFO .... Last in first out
LMAO .... Laughing my (profanity) off
LMFAO .... Laughing my (profanity) (profanity) off
LMIRL .... Let's meet in real life
LMK .... Let me know
LOL .... Laughing out loud
LOLA .... Laugh out loud again
LOOL .... Laughing outrageously out loud
LSV .... Language, sex, violence
LTM .... Laugh to myself
LTNS .... Long time no see
Lyk .... Like
LYL .... Love you lots
LYLAB .... Love you like a brother
LYLAS .... Love you like a sis
LYLAS .... Love you like a sister
M8 .... Mate
MFI .... Mad for it
MILF .... Mother I'd like to (profanity)
MOOS .... Member of the opposite sex
MorF .... Male or female?
MOS .... Mother over shoulder
MOSS .... Member of same sex
MOTAS .... Member of the appropriate sex
MOTSS .... Member of the same sex
MSG .... Message

MTF .... More to follow
MTFBWU .... May the force be with you
Muah .... (Sound of a kiss)
MUSM .... Miss you so much
Mwah .... (Sound of a kiss)
MYOB........ Mind your own business
NooB .... Newbie
N1........ Nice one
N2M .... Not to mention
N-A-Y-L .... In a while
NAZ .... Name, address, zip
NBD .... No big deal
NE .... Any
NE .... Anyway
NE1 .... Anyone
NE1 ER .... Anyone here?
NEMore........ Anymore
NFI .... No (profanity) idea
NFM........ None for me
NFW........ No (profanity) way
NG........ New game
NIFOC........ Nude in front of computer
NIMBY .... Not in my back yard
NLT........ No later than
NM .... Nothing much / Never mind
NMH .... Not much here
NMP........ Not my problem
NO1........ No one
NOYB .... None of your business
NP .... No problem
NRN .... No reply necessary
NTK .... Nice to know
NUFF .... Enough said
NVM .... Never mind
NW........ No way
NWO .... No way out
OBTW........ Oh, by the way
OIC........ Oh, I see
OK........ All correct
OLL........ Online love

OMDB........Over my dead body
OMG........Oh my God
OMG........Oh my gosh
OMW........On my way
OO........Over and out
OOC........Out of control
OOH........Out of here
OOTD........One of these days
OP........On phone
OTB........Off to bed
OTL........Out to lunch
OTOH........On the other hand
OTP........On the phone
OTT........Over the top
OTTOMH........Off the top of my head
OTW........Off to work
OUSU........Oh, you shut up
OVA........Over
P911........Parent alert
PAL........Parents are listening
PAW........Parents are watching
PBM........Parent behind me
PCM........Please call me
PDQ........Pretty darn quick
PIMP........(Urinating) in my pants
PIR........Parent in room
PITA........Pain in the (profanity)
PLMK........Please let me know
PLS........Please
PLZ........Please
PM........Private Message
PM........Personal message
PMFI........Pardon me for interrupting
PMFJI........Pardon me for jumping in
PO........(Profanity) off
POAHF........Put on a happy face
POOF........Good-bye
POS........Parent over shoulder
PPL........People
PROLLY........Probably

PRT .... Party
PRW .... People/parents are watching
PTL .... Praise the Lord
PTMM .... Please tell me more
PU .... That stinks
PXT .... Please explain that
P-ZA .... Pizza
Q .... Queue
QIK .... Quick
QT .... Cutie
RBAY .... Right back at you
RBTL .... Read between the lines
RL .... Real life
RLF .... Real life friend
RME .... Rolling my eyes
RN .... Right now
ROFL .... Rolling on floor laughing
ROTFL .... Rolling on the floor laughing
ROTFLMAO .... Rolling on the floor laughing my (profanity) off
ROTFLOL .... Rolling on the floor laughing out loud
ROTFLUTS .... Rolling on the floor laughing unable to speak
ROTGL .... Rolling on the ground laughing
ROTGLMAO .... Rolling on the ground laughing my (profanity) off
RSN .... Real soon now
RTFM .... Read the (profanity) manual
RTK .... Return to keyboard
RTM .... Read the manual
RU .... Are you?
RUMORF .... Are you male or female?
RUOK .... Are you okay?
RUUP4IT .... Are you up for it?
RYO .... Roll your own
SAL .... Such a laugh
SC .... Stay cool
SCNR .... Sorry, could not resist
SETE .... Smiling ear-to-ear
SF .... Surfer friendly
SFETE .... Smiling from ear-to-ear
SFX .... Sound effects
SH .... (Profanity) happens

SICNR....................Sorry, I could not resist
SIG2R ....Sorry, I got to run
SIS....................Snickering in silence
SIT.................... Stay in touch
SLAP....................Sounds like a plan
SMAIM....................Send me an instant message
SMEM.................... Send me e-mail
SMHID....................Scratching my head in disbelief
SMIM.................... Send me instant message
SNAFU .... Situation normal, all (profanity) up
SO ....Significant other
SOL....................Sooner or later
SOL....................(Profanity) out of luck
SOMY ....Sick of me yet?
SorG....................Straight or gay
SOTMG....................Short of time, must go
SPK ....Speak
SPST ....Same place, same time
SRO....................Standing room only
SRY....................Sorry
SS ....So sorry
SSDD ....Same (profanity), different day
SSINF....................So stupid it's not funny
STFU....................Shut the (profanity) up
STM ....Spank the monkey
STR8 ....Straight
STW .... Search the Web
SUITM .... See you in the morning
SUL....................See you later
SUP .... What's up?
SWAK....................Sealed with a kiss
SWALK ....Sealed with a loving kiss
SYL ....See you later
SYS .... See you soon
T+.................... Think positive
TA ....Thanks a lot
TAFN....................That's all for now
TAH ....Take a hike
TAM....................Tomorrow a.m.
TAS....................Taking a shower

TBC..To be continued
TBD.. To be determined
TBH..To be honest
TC ....Take care
TCB...The trouble came back
TDTM ....Talk dirty to me
TFN ....Thanks for nothing
TFX .... Traffic
TGIF...Thank God it’s Friday
THNQ .... Thank you
THNX ....Thanks
THX ....Thanks
TIA ....Thanks in advance
TIAD ....Tomorrow is another day
TIC ....Tongue in cheek
TK .... To come
TLK2UL8R..Talk to you later
TM... Trust me
TMB ....Text me back
TMI .... Too much information
TMOT .... Trust me on this
TMWFI .... Take my word for it
TNC...Tongue in cheek
TNSTAAFL ....There’s no such thing as a free lunch
TNT .... ‘Till next time
TNX ....Thanks
TOM.. Tomorrow
TOY ....Thinking of you
TPM .... Tomorrow p.m.
TPTB..The powers that be
TS ....Tough (profanity)
TSTB...The sooner, the better
TTFN..Ta-ta for now
TTG ....Time to go
TTTT... These things take time
TTUL ....Talk to you later
TTYL ....Talk to you later
TTYS...Talk to you soon
TU .... Thank you
TXS ....Thanks

TY .... Thank you
TYT .... Take your time
TYVM.. Thank you very much
U..You
U2...You too?
UGTBK... You've got to be kidding
UKTR... You know that's right
UL ....Upload
UL .... You will
UR...Your/You're
UV...Unpleasant visual
UW ....You're welcome
VBG ....Very big grin
VBS ....Very big smile
VEG ....Very evil grin
VM ....Voice mail
VSF ....Very sad face
W/B ....Write back
W/E ....Whatever
W/O .... Without
WAD ....Without a doubt
WAFM ....What a (profanity) mess
WAG .... Wild (profanity) guess
WAI...What an idiot
WAM ....Wait a minute
WAN2TLK ....Want to talk
WAT ....What
Wat up .... What's up?
WAYF.. Where are you from?
WB ....Welcome back or write back
WBS .... Write back soon
WBU .... What about you?
WC ....Who cares?
WCA .... Who cares anyway?
WDYS...What did you say?
WDYT..What do you think?
WE ....Whatever
WEG ....Wicked evil grin
WFM .... Works for me
WG ....Wicked grin

WGAFF..Who gives a flying (profanity)
WIIFM .... What's in it for me?
WK .... Week
WKD .... Weekend
WOMBAT ....Waste of money, brains, and time
WRK .... Work
WRUD .... What are you doing?
WRUF .... Where are you from?
WTF ....What the (profanity)?
WTG .... Way to go
WTGP .... Want to go private
WTH .... What the heck
WU .... What's up?
WUCIWUG .... What you see is what you get
WUF .... Where are you from?
WWY .... Where were you?
WWYC .... Write when you can
WYCM .... Will you call me?
WYLEI .... When you least expect it
WYP ....What's your problem?
WYRN .... What's your real name?
WYS .... Whatever you say
WYSIWYG .... What you see is what you get
WYSLPG .... What you see looks pretty good
WYT .... Whatever you think
WYWH .... Wish you were here
X .... Kiss
XI 10 ....Exciting
XLNT .... Excellent
XME .... Excuse me
XOXO ....Hugs and kisses
YA .... Your
YA YAYA .... Yet another ya-ya (as in yo-yo)
YBS .... You'll be sorry
YDKM .... You don't know me
YGBK .... You gotta be kidding
YGBKM .... You've got to be kidding me
YHM .... You have mail
YKW .... You know what?
YKWYCD .... You know what you can do

YMMV..Your mileage may vary
YNK...You never know
YR..Your or Yeah, right
YTTT .... You telling the truth?
YW...You’re welcome
YYSSW..Yeah, yeah, sure, sure, whatever
ZZZ ....Sleeping, bored, tired

INTERNET EMOTICONS

An emoticon is a sequence of keyboard symbols, letters, and numbers that emulate a facial expression. These emoticons are used together with text acronyms in instant messages, e-mails, cell phone texting, blogs, and chats. They are intended to be read sideways. For example, you can recognize the smiley face emoticon :-) with your head tilted to the left.

Here is a list of emoticons:

!-(.... Black eye
!-) .... Proud of black eye
#-) .... Wiped out or partied all night
#:-o .... Shocked
$-) .... Money on the brain
%(|:-) .... Propeller-head
%*} .... Inebriated
%+{ .... Got beat up
%-(.... Confused
%-) .... Dazed or silly
-6% .... Brain-dead
%-\ .... Hung over
%-{ .... Ironic
%-| .... Worked all night
%-} .... Humorous or ironic
%\ .... Hangover
>>:-<< .... Furious
>- .... Female
>-> .... Winking devil
>-< .... Furious
>-) .... Devilish wink
>:) .... Little devil
>:-> .... Very mischievous devil
>:-< .... Angry
>:-< .... Mad
>:-(.... Annoyed
>:-) .... Mischievous devil
>=^ P .... Yuck
<:> .... Devilish expression
<:-> .... Devilish expression
<:-(.... Dunce
<:-) .... Innocently asking dumb question
<:-| .... Dunce
<:| .... Dunce
<3 .... Heart or Love
(8(|) .... Homer
(<> .. <>) .... Alienated
(( )):** .... Hugs and kisses

((())) or {{{}}} or [[[]]] … Lots of hugging (initials are often put in the middle)
() … Hugging
(-: … Left-handed smile or smiley from the southern hemisphere
(:& … Angry
(:- … Unsmiley
(:-& … Angry
(:-(… Unsmiley
(:-) … Smiley variation
(:-* … Kiss
(:-\ … Very sad
(::()::) … Band-Aid, meaning comfort
(:| … Egghead
* … Kiss
*<:-) … Santa Claus
*<|:-) … Santa Claus or a clown
*-) … Shot to death
+<:-) … Religious leader
+<:-| … Monk or nun
+<||-) … Knight
+:-) … Priest
+O:-) … The Pope
-) … Tongue in cheek
-=#:-) … Wizard
/\/\/\ … Laughter
0:-) … Angel
12x@>--->--- … A dozen roses
2B|^2B … To be or not to be
5:-) … Elvis
7:) … Ronald Reagan
7:^) … Ronald Reagan
8 … Infinity
8 :-) … Wizard
8-# … Death
8-) … Wide-eyed or wearing glasses
8-o … Shocked
8-O … Astonished
8-P … Yuck!
8-[… Frayed nerves or overwrought
8-] … Wow!
8-| … Wide-eyed surprise
: (… Sad
:) … Smile
: [… Bored or sad
: | … Bored or sad
:( ) … Loudmouth, talks all the time, or shouting
:<}) … Someone with a mustache smiling

:*	Kiss
:*)	Clowning
:**:	Returning kiss
:+(	Got punched in the nose
:,(	Crying
:-	Male
:-#	My lips are sealed or someone wearing braces
:-&	Tongue-tied
:->	Smile of happiness or sarcasm
:-><	Puckered up to kiss
:-<	Very sad
:-(	Frown
:-)	Classic smiley
:-*	Kiss
:-,	Smirk
:-/	Wry face
:-6	Exhausted
:-9	Licking lips
:-?	Licking lips or tongue in cheek
:-@	Screaming
:-C	Astonished
:-c	Very unhappy
:-D	Laughing
:-d~	Heavy smoker
:-e	Disappointed
:-f	Sticking out tongue
:-I	Pondering or impartial
:-i	Wry smile or half-smile
:-J	Tongue in cheek
:-j	One-sided smile
:-k	Puzzlement
:-l	One-sided smile
:-M	Speak no evil
:-O	Open-mouthed, surprised
:-o	Surprised look or yawn
:-P	Sticking out tongue
:-p	Sticking tongue out
:-p~	Heavy smoker
:-Q	Tongue hanging out in disgust or a smoker
:-Q~	Smoking
:-r	Sticking tongue out
:-s	What?!
:-t	Unsmiley
:-V	Shouting
:-x	A kiss or my lips are sealed
:-Y	Aside comment

:-[... Unsmiling blockhead or criticism
:-\’| ... Sniffles
:-] ... Smiling blockhead or sarcasm
:-{) ... Smile with moustache
:-{)} ... Smile with moustache and beard
:-{} ... Blowing a kiss
:-| ... Indifferent, bored, or disgusted
:-| :-| ... Deja vu
:-|| ... Very angry
:-} ... Mischievous smile
:-~) ... A cold
:-~| ... A cold
:.(... Crying
:/) ... Not funny
:/i ... No smoking
:> ... What?
:@ ... What?
:C ... Astonished
:e ... Disappointed
:P ... Sticking out tongue
:X ... Hear no evil
:x ... Kiss
:\’ ... Crying
:\’(... Crying
:\’-(... Crying
:\’-) ... Tears of happiness
:^D ... Happy, approving
:`-(... Shedding a tear
:{ ... Having a hard time
:~) ... A cold
:~-(... Crying
:~/ ... Confused
;) ... Wink
; P ... Wink with a raspberry
;(... Crying
;-(... Angry or got a black eye
;-) ... Winking
;-D ... Winking and laughing
= O ... Surprised
= X ... My lips are sealed
=):-)= ... Abraham Lincoln
=:-) ... Punk/Mohawk
=====:} ... Snake
=^* ... Kisses
=^D ... Big grin
?(... Black eye

?-(.......... Black eye

@>--->--- .... A long-stemmed rose

@== .... Atomic bomb

@}->-- .... Rose

B:-) .... Sunglasses on head

d :-o .... Hats off to you!

M-) .... See no evil

M-), :X, :-M .... See no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil

M:-) .... A salute

O+ .... Female

O-> .... Male

O8-) .... Starry-eyed angel

O:-) .... Angel

P* .... French kiss

Q:-) .... College graduate

X-(.......... Just died

[:-) .... Wearing a Walkman

[:-] .... Square head

[:-| or [:| .... Frankenstein

[:] or [:|] .... Robot

[] .... Hug

\’) or \’-) .... Winky

_/ .... Empty glass

\~/ .... Full glass

]:-> .... Devil

]:-) .... Happy devil

][.......... Back to back

^ ^ ^ .... Giggles

^5 .... High five

`:-) .... Raised eyebrow

{} .... Hug

|-<> .... Puckered up for a kiss

|-(.......... Sleepy, struggling to stay awake, or sleeping badly

|-D .... Big laugh

|-O .... Yawn

|-{ .... Good grief

|-| .... Asleep

|I .... Asleep

|^o .... Snoring

}-) .... Wry smile

}: [.......... Angry, frustrated

}{ .... Face to face

~ :-(.......... Steaming mad

~:-\ .... Elvis

~:o .... Baby

~== .... Begins a flame (discussion)

~~:-(.... Net flame (Usenet/Internet discussion group)
-=...Snuffed candle to end a flame message
~~~~8}..Snake
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